

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Review Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority

MEETING DATE: November 21, 2001

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council review the Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority

and provide staff direction on possible participation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin County Flood

Control and Water Conservation District formed a joint powers agreement to pursue a water rights filing and water supply and power project on the Mokelumne River. Both entities are governed

by the Board of Supervisors who act as the Authority's Board. The Authority is in the midst of completing the necessary applications before they lapse next year. It is likely that these steps will mean committing significant time and money for which the County will probably seek partners. It is also possible that they will let the filings and the project lapse.

Staff is seeking Council direction on whether or not the City of Lodi should formally contact the County requesting that we be admitted to the Authority, and what role we should take in this process. Staff is having informal discussions with County staff and will be able to offer more information at the Council Meeting.

FUNDING: None required at this time.

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SUBJECT: Review Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority and

Approve Amendments to Northeastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Banking Authority Joint Powers Agreement

Enclosed is a copy of background information on items on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, November 21, 2001. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

These items are on the regular calendar for Council discussion. You are welcome to attend.

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If you have any questions about the item itself, please call me at 333-6759.

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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk

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